

REMARKS

Claims 9-13 have been withdrawn and Claims 1-8 and 14-31 remain in this application.

In the corresponding Office Action, the Examiner has required the applicant to elect a single invention from:

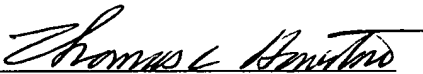
Group I, claims 1-8 and 14-31 and

Group II, claims 9-13.

In response to the examiners request, we elect Group I claims 1-8 and 14-31 without traverse.

The applicants respectfully request that a timely notice of allowance be issued in this case.

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